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FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW  
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FOR A/SY/OPS/T FROM TSO

E.O. 11652: XGDS-2  
TAGS: ASEC  
SUBJECT: TECHNICAL PENETRATION - BRIEFING

1. MR. KEN SUTTON OF THE CANADIAN EMBASSY WAS BRIEFED ON THE MORNING OF 21 JUNE CONCERNING THE RECENT TECHNICAL PENETRATION.
2. MR. SUTTON VOLUNTEERED THAT THE CANADIAN EMBASSY WAS NOT SUFFERING FROM MUTS LIKE SIGNALS.
3. MESSRS. HORBERGER, VON KLEIST, AND REICHARDT OF THE FRG WERE ALSO BRIEFED THIS MORNING CONCERNING THE FIND.
4. THE GERMAN TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVES VOLUNTEERED INFORMATION ON TWO TEMHNICAL PENETRATIONS THAT THEY HAD DISCOVERED IN LENINGRAD.

5. IN MARCH OF 1978 A CYPHER MACHINE WAS DISCOVERED TO HAVE BEEN TAMPERED WITH SO THAT IT PASSED CLEAR TEXT DOWN THE POWER LINE. THE DEVICE WAS MADE TO RESEMBLE A COMMON POWER LINE CONNECTING BLOCK. THE

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MACHINE WAS IN LENINGRAD FOR ABOUT A YEAR BUT HAD BEEN IN WARSAW BEFORE THAT. IT WAS UNKNOWN WHERE THE TAMPERING TOOK PLACE.

6. IN NOVEMBER OF 1977 A MICROPHONE WAS DISCOVERED IN A CEILING DURING A ROUTINE SEARCH. THE NOVEL FACT OF THIS FIND WAS THAT THE MICROPHONE WAS

CONCEALED IN A HOLLOW CAVITY WITH VERY HARD PLASTER  
AND CONCRETE SEPARATING THE CAVITY FROM THE CEILING.  
THE TRADITIONAL AIR HOLE WAS ABSENT. THEY HAVE  
SINCE DISCOVERED TWO MORE MICROPHONES AND EXPECT  
TO FIND MORE.

7. ONE OF THE TECHNICIANS INSPECTED THE PHOTOGRAPHS  
OF ONE OF THE SOVIET RF SPLICES FOUND IN THE TUNNEL  
AND SAID THE CONNECTOR RESEMBLED A SIMILAR CONNECTOR  
ASSOCIATED WITH A 1964 FRG FIND. MOSCOW HAS NO FILE  
ON THIS FIND.

8. NAMES OF APPROPRIATE SECURITY PERSONNEL IN  
WASHINGTON WERE GIVEN TO THE GERMANS SO THAT THEY  
MIGHT FURTHER PURSUE THE MATTER THROUGH NORMAL CHANNELS.

9. THE WEST GERMAN EMBASSY IN MOSCOW DOES NOT SUFFER  
FROM A MUTS LIKE SIGNAL. MATLOCK

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